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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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TITLE : METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR  
REPEATABLE HANDBACK ATTEMPT  
AFTER INTER-MSC HANDOFF  
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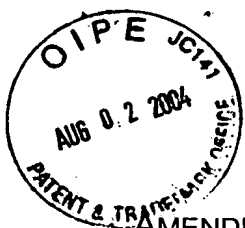
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Dear Sir:

Prior to substantive examination of the above-identified patent application, please amend the application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 8 of this paper.



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AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER

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To the Commissioner for Patents:


Transmitted herewith is a *Preliminary Amendment* in the above-identified application.  
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Indep. Claims	3	Minus	3	0	X 86	\$0.00
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Respectfully submitted,  
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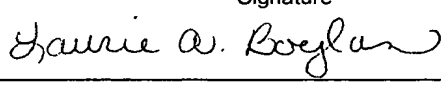
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